GWINN AREA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS GWINN, MICHIGAN

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Education **Gwinn Area Community Schools** Gwinn, Michigan 49841

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Gwinn Area Community Schools, Gwinn, Michigan, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, which collectively comprise the Gwinn Area Community Schools' basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of Gwinn Area Community Schools' management. responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Gwinn Area Community Schools as of June 30, 2008, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued a report dated October 24, 2008, on our consideration of the Gwinn Area Community Schools' internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

The management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 6 through 16 and 42 through 43, are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it. Board of Education Gwinn Area Community Schools Gwinn, Michigan

Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Gwinn Area Community Schools basic financial statements. The combining and individual non-major fund financial statements and schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements of the Gwinn Area Community Schools. The combining and individual non-major fund financial statements and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Andersen, Tackman & Cempany, PLC Certified Public Accountants

October 24, 2008

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

Gwinn Area Community Schools is a K-12 Public School District located in Marquette County, Michigan. Our discussion and analysis of Gwinn Area Community Schools financial performance provides an overview of the School District's financial activities for the year ended June 30, 2007. Please read it in conjunction with the financial statements, which immediately follow this section.

Financial Highlights

- Net assets for Gwinn Area Community Schools as a whole were reported as \$3,441,076. Net assets are comprised of 100% governmental activities.
- During the year, Gwinn Area Community Schools expenses were \$12,766,774, while revenues from all sources totaled \$12,885,246, resulting in an increase in net assets of \$118,472.
- September 2007 enrollment decreased 20.93 FTEs over the prior year. The district was able to qualify for declining enrollment assistance under section 6(4)(y) of the State Aid School Act which allows the district's average three year membership to used in funding calculations.
- The Foundation Allowance increased \$119 to \$7,204 per student.
- It was again necessary for the district to borrow from the Michigan Municipal Bond Authority (MMBA). The short –term agreement was for \$1,500,000 and was paid back in full in August 2008.
- The general fund reported an increase in fund balance of \$107,405 after other financing sources (uses). This is \$111,511 more than the forecasted decrease of \$4,106, which is a net result of revenues totaling \$24,162 more and expenditures \$87,349 less. Both of these do not include Federal program grants. In addition, net transfers ended up coming in at \$38,118 better than anticipated. These variances are all immaterial, less than 1%, when compared with budgeted revenues/transfers of \$12,998,606 and budgeted expenditures/transfers of \$13,002,712. There were no significant variances between the final budget and actual amounts.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This annual report consists of three parts: Management's discussions and analysis (this section), the basic financial statements, and required supplementary information. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) through GASB 34 requires the reporting of two *types* of financial statements: District-Wide Financial Statements and Fund Financial Statements.

• The first type, *District-Wide Financial Statements (Government-Wide Financial Statements)*, consist of two statements: Statement of Net Assets and Statement of Activities. These provide both short-term and long-term information about the district's overall financial status.

- The second type, Fund Financial Statements, focus on individual parts of the district. These Governmental Funds Statements tell how basic services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending. They report the district's operations in more detail than the District-Wide Statements by providing information about the District's most significant fund the General, with all other funds presented in one column as non-major funds.
- The remaining statement, the Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets, presents financial information about activities for which the District acts solely as an agent for the benefit of students and parents.

The financial statements also include notes that further explain dollar amounts and provide more detailed data. The statements are followed by a section of required supplementary information that further explains and supports the financial statements with a comparison of the district's budget for the year.

District-Wide Financial Statements

The one thing all stake-holders (parents, teachers and community members) want to know is the financial condition of the District as a result of the year's activities. The District-Wide Financial Statements report information about the District as a whole and about its activities by using the accrual basis of accounting similar to those used by private-sector companies. The two required District-Wide Financial Statements are the *Statement of Net Assets* and the *Statement of Activities*. The *Statements of Net Assets* includes all of the District's assets and liabilities. The *Statement of Activities* includes all of the current year's revenues and expenditures regardless of when cash is received or paid.

Net Assets, the difference between the District's assets and liabilities, are one way to measure the District's financial health or position. Over time, **increases or decreases in the district's net assets are an indicator of whether its financial position is improving or deteriorating, respectively** (see charted titled Net Assets 2004 – 2008). The relationship between revenues and expenditures is the District's operating results. However, the District's goal is to provide services to our students, not to generate profits as private-sector companies do. To assess the District's overall health, you need to consider additional non-financial factors such as the quality of education provided, the safety of the schools, changes in the property tax base and the condition of school buildings and other facilities.

In the District-Wide Financial Statements, the Statement of Activities is divided into two categories:

- Governmental activities: The District's basic services are included here, such as regular and special education, transportation and administration. Property taxes, State Aid and grants finance these activities.
- Business-type activities: The District does not have any activities reported as business-type activities.

Fund Financial Statements

Fund Financial Statements are reported on a modified accrual basis. Only those assets that are "measurable" and "currently available" are reported. Liabilities are recognized to the extent that they are expected to be paid with current financial resources. Purchased capital assets are reported as expenditures in the year of acquisition, no asset is reported and the issuance of debt is recorded as a financial resource. The current year's payment of principal and interest on long-term obligations are recorded as expenditures, however, future year's debt obligations are not recorded. The Fund Financial Statements are formatted to comply with the legal requirements of the Michigan Department of Education's "Accounting Manual". In the State of Michigan, the following fund types and related activities are described as follows:

Governmental Funds – All of the District's services are reported in governmental funds, which include the general fund, food service fund, athletic fund, capital projects fund, and debt service fund. They focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the remaining balances at year-end. These funds are reported using the modified accrual basis of accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can be readily converted into cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the District's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the District's programs. We describe the relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds in a reconciliation which follows the fund financial statements.

Fiduciary Funds – The District is the trustee, or fiduciary, for assets that belong to others, such as the scholarship fund and the student activities funds. The district is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used only for their intended purposes and by those to whom the assets belong. The district excludes these activities from the District-Wide Financial Statements because it cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

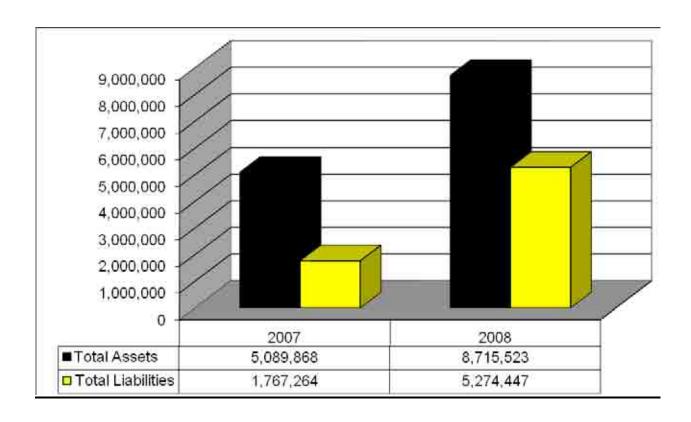
Financial Analysis of the District as a Whole

The condensed Statement of Net Assets as of June 30, 2008 and 2007 is as follows:

		Governmental Activities				
		2008	2007			
Current Assets	_	\$6,294,236	\$3,540,134			
Capital Assets, net		2,421,287	1,549,734			
	Total Assets	8,715,523	5,089,868			
Current liabilities		2,909,052	1,305,721			
Non-current liabilities		2,365,395	461,543			
	Total Liabilities	5,274,447	1,767,264			
Investment in Capital Assets, Net Restricted for:	of Related Debt	421,287	1,347,127			
Capital Projects		1,325,998	_			
Other		353	_			
Unrestricted	-	1,693,438	1,975,477			
	Total Net Assets	\$3,441,076	\$3,322,604			

The District's net assets were \$3,441,076 at June 30, 2008. This is broken down into three categories. 1) Capital assets, net of related debt: this category totaled \$421,287 and consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any notes or other borrowing that is attributable to the acquisition. 2) Restricted: Capital Projects and the Food Service Fund had restricted net assets in the amounts of \$1,693,438 and \$353, respectively. 3) Unrestricted: the remaining amount of net assets of \$1,693,438 is unrestricted. These all represent the accumulated results of all past years' operations. The operating results of the General Fund will have a significant impact on the change in unreserved net assets from year to year.

Assets and Liabilities 2007 vs. 2008 – Statement of Net Assets



The results of this year's operation for the District as a whole are reported in the Statement of Activities (see table below), which shows the changes in net assets for fiscal year 2008.

The condensed Statement of Activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008 and 2007 is as follows:

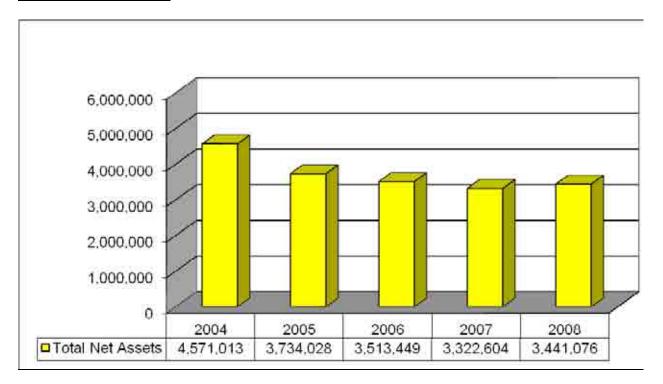
		Governmental Activities			
		2008	2007		
Revenues:					
Program revenues:					
Charges for Services		\$ 278,945	\$ 306,072		
Operating Grants and Contributions		2,655,933	2,679,449		
General Revenues					
Property taxes, levied for general pu	ırposes	1,601,006	1,490,196		
State of Michigan aid, unrestricted		8,196,407	8,491,654		
Interest and investment earnings		99,295	96,954		
Other		53,660	109,170		
	Total Revenues	\$12,885,246	\$13,173,495		
Program Expenses:					
Instruction and instructional support		\$ 7,004,336	\$ 7,587,998		
Support Services		4,568,535	4,617,568		
Food Services		575,113	561,554		
Athletics		271,162	275,912		
Capital projects (un capitalized)			1,135		
Community services		84,463	74,620		
Payments to other governmental units			10,857		
Other		16,852			
Depreciation (unallocated)		246,313	234,696		
	Total Expenses	\$12,766,774	\$13,364,340		
	Change in Net Assets	118,472	(190,845)		
Beginning Net Assets		\$ 3,322,604	\$ 3,513,449		
	Ending Net Assets	\$ 3,441,076	\$ 3,322,604		

As reported in the Statement of Activities, the cost of all our governmental activities this year was \$12,766,774. Certain activities were partially funded from those who benefited from the programs (\$278,945) or by other governments and organizations that subsidized certain programs with grants and categoricals (\$2,655,933). We paid for the remaining "public benefit" portion of our governmental activities with \$8,196,407 in State Foundation Allowance, \$1,601,006 in taxes, and other revenues/sources, such as interest, general entitlements and fund balance.

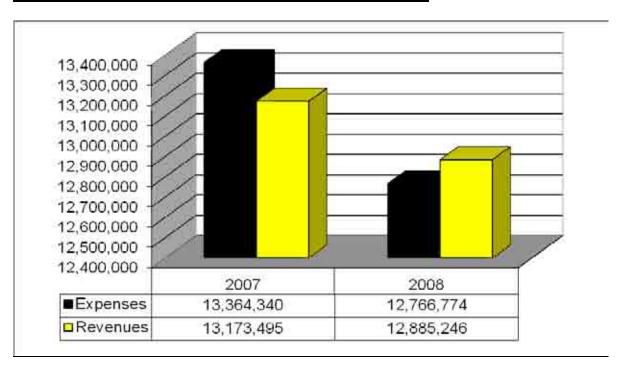
The District experienced an increase in net assets for the year of \$118,472. Key reasons for the change in net assets were as follows:

- Net increase in governmental fund balances of \$1,284,538, the majority of it being the OZAB
- Depreciation charged to expense in the amount of (\$246,313)
- Purchase of capital assets in the amount of \$1,117,866
- Qualified Zone Academy Bonds in the amount of (\$2,000,000)
- Compensated absences not reported as expenditures in the amount of (\$37,619)

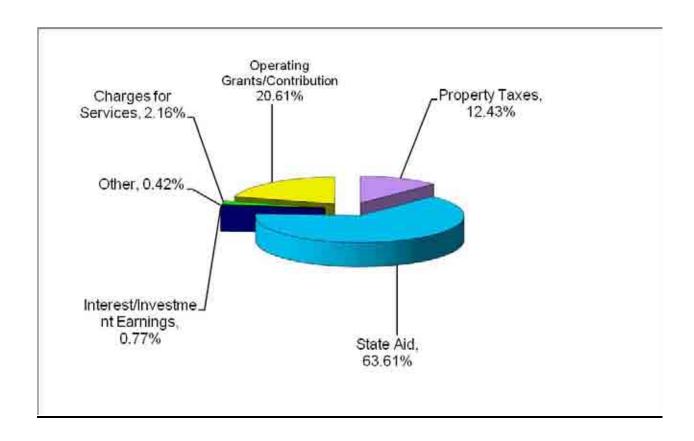
Net Assets 2004 - 2008



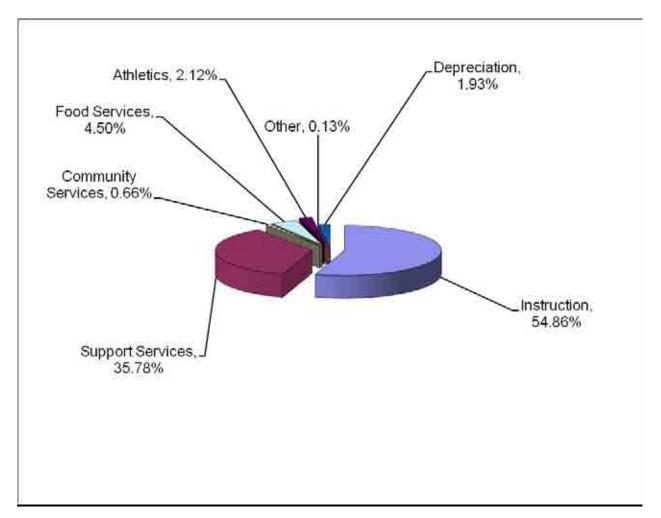
Revenues and Expenses 2007 vs. 2008 – Statement of Activities



Sources of Revenues for Fiscal Year 2008 – Statement of Activities



Expenses for Fiscal Year 2008 – Statement of Activities



The following table presents the cost of each of the District's largest activities as well as each program's net cost (total cost less revenues generated by the activities). Total costs were \$12,766,774; however, the following table excludes \$263,165 of costs related to depreciation (\$246,313) and a miscellaneous category (\$16,852).

Total Cost of	of Services	Net Cost of Services			
2008	2008 2007		2007		
\$7,004,336	\$7,587,998	\$4,812,901	\$5,448,677		
4,568,535	4,617,568	4,466,173	4,398,854		
575,113	561,554	(3,870)	13,828		
271,162	275,912	209,064	205,067		
84,463	74,620	84,463	65,705		
\$12,503,609	\$13,117,652	\$9,568,731	\$9,816,303		
	2008 \$7,004,336 4,568,535 575,113 271,162 84,463	\$7,004,336 \$7,587,998 4,568,535 4,617,568 575,113 561,554 271,162 275,912 84,463 74,620	2008 2007 2008 \$7,004,336 \$7,587,998 \$4,812,901 4,568,535 4,617,568 4,466,173 575,113 561,554 (3,870) 271,162 275,912 209,064 84,463 74,620 84,463		

The net cost shows the financial burden that each function placed on the District's operations, taxpayers and State. Since property taxes for operations and unrestricted State Aid constitutes 12% and 64%, respectively, of the District's operating revenue sources (as shown in the pie chart), the Board of Education and Administration must annually evaluate the needs of the District and balance those needs with the State-prescribed available financial resources.

Financial Analysis of the District's Funds

The District uses funds to help it control and manage money for particular purposes. Looking at funds helps the reader consider whether the District is being accountable for the resources taxpayers and others provide to it and may provide more insight into the District's overall financial health.

As the District completed the year, its governmental funds, as presented in the balance sheet, reported a combined fund balance of \$3,526,769, an increase of \$1,284,538 from the beginning of the year. The change in the combined fund balance was due to the increase of fund balance in the General Fund, the creation of the QZAB fund with projects left to be completed as of June 30, 2008 and the \$119,857 increase in reserve fund balance in the Capital Projects Fund. The decision to reserve the Capital Projects fund balance and carry it over to the 2008-2009 school year was so that it could fund the first QZAB debt service payment.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

The Uniform Budget Act of the State of Michigan requires the Board of Education approve the original budget for the upcoming fiscal year prior to the start of its fiscal year, which is July 1. Over the course of the year, the District's Board revises its budget as it attempts to deal with changes in revenues and expenditures. State law requires that the budget be amended to ensure that expenditures do not exceed appropriations. For fiscal year 2008, the budget was amended in February 2008 and again in June 2008. A schedule showing the District's original and final budget amounts compared with amounts actually paid and received is provided in the required supplemental information of these financial statements.

Changes to the General Fund original and amended budgets included the following:

- Used the 3-year average of student count due to declining enrollment of 1409 in the original budget and 1405 in the final.
- The original budget assumed per pupil funding of \$7,085 per student and the final budget was adjusted to \$7,204.
- The final budget included the added categorical 22d.4, Isolated Districts, which is for transportation in rural districts.
- Updated all grant allocations and expenditures
- Decreased special education payments from MARESA due to increased usage of services
- QZAB was approved and the sale of those bonds reimbursed the General Fund for the roof and stadium lighting projects

Capital Asset and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

At June 30, 2008 and 2007, the District had and \$9,102,597 and \$7,984,731, respectively invested in a variety of capital assets including land, buildings, and machinery and equipment.

	Governmental Activities						
	2008	2007					
Capital Assets at Year-End							
Land	\$ 37,293	\$ 37,293					
Construction in progress	224,106	-					
Building & grounds	6,592,999	5,844,238					
Site improvements	342,300	342,300					
Machinery & equipment	669,072	628,186					
Vehicles	1,236,827	1,132,714					
Totals	\$9,102,597	\$7,984,731					

This year's addition of \$1,117,866 included a new roof at the high school, stadium lights, a bus, a food service truck, computers, upgraded electrical throughout the high school and renovated bathrooms and locker rooms at the high school. The district applied for a Qualified Zone Academy Bond in the amount of \$2,000,000 which was awarded and proceeds received in December of 2007. We present more detailed information about our capital assets in the notes (Note H)

At June 30, 2008 and 2007, the School District had \$2,202,607 and \$202,607, respectively, in the School Improvement Bond, Series 1998 and QZAB.

	Governmental Activities						
	2008	2007					
Outstanding Debt at Year-End							
School Improvement Bonds	\$ 202,607	\$ 202,607					
Qualified Zone Academy Bonds	2,000,000						
Totals	\$ 2,202,607	\$ 202,607					

There was no change in the School Improvement Bonds from 2007 because the MMBA altered the payment schedule. We present more detailed information about our long-term debt in the notes (note F) to the financial statements.

Factors Bearing on the District's Future

Our elected officials and administration consider many factors when setting the District's fiscal year 2009 budget. One of the most important factors affecting the budget is our student count. Generally, State Aid is determined by multiplying the blended student count (25% of the previous February and 75% of the current September count) by the foundation allowance per pupil. However, since the district is located in a rural area (less than 4.5 pupils per square miles) and is small (less than 1,550 pupils) we were able to use our 3-year average blend, which is the current year blend (25% of the February 2007 and 75% of September 2007 counts) plus the two immediately preceding years blend. The 2009 fiscal year budget, adopted in June 2008, was based on an estimate that 1,355 students will be enrolled in September 2008 and an increase in foundation allowance of \$142. Understand this: **over half of the District's General Fund revenues are based on an estimate at the time of adoption** (student enrollment and foundation allowance).

Assuming the state determines the amount of foundation allowance in a timely manner, these estimates do not become facts until the end of the 3rd month of operations when an official pupil count is taken. Under State law, the District cannot assess additional property tax revenue for general obligations. As a result, the district funding is heavily dependent on the State's ability to fund local school operation.

Declining enrollment is an issue that continues to be of concern. The district normally experiences unstable enrollment patterns so we have not been able to depend on the results an enrollment study. However, over the past two years the forecast was very close to the actual September count. The enrollment forecast is for a continuation in decline. Although we will not depend entirely on the forecast in future budgeting, it will have an influence.

There were no employment contracts to settle during the 07-08 school year. However the GESPA and teamster contract will be negotiated at the end of the 08-09 year and the administrator and teacher contract will be negotiated at the end of the 09-10 year.

A financially sound district is one that routinely balances its budget and does not have to borrow to pay normal reoccurring bills. This year it was necessary to borrow \$1,000,000 from the MMBA to bridge the cash flow gap, primarily due to the timing in state aid payments. This is \$500,000 less than last year (07-08) but additional funds were borrowed to pre-fund the high school roof replacement in anticipation of the QZAB being approved during that year. The district borrowed \$600 in 06-07 year. It will cost the district \$5,877 to issue \$1,000,000 in bonds and an additional \$17,000 in interest for a total cost to borrow of 22,877. This is an effective interest rate of 2.3% and the loan is scheduled to be paid in full in August of 2009.

The Board of Education is continuing to address its infrastructure needs by seeking requests for information from energy savings companies. We are hopeful that a company can identify projects where new, energy efficient equipment can result in energy savings equal to or more than the cost of the equipment.

Contacting the District's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide the district's citizens, taxpayers and parents with a general overview of the district's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Business Manager, Gwinn Area Community Schools, 50 W. M-35, Gwinn MI, 49841.

Statement of Net Assets

June 30, 2008

	Governmental Activities
ASSETS:	
Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,865,386
Investments	2,301,180
Receivables: Accounts receivable	47 106
Due from other governmental units	47,106 2,002,505
Inventories	34,000
Prepaid expense	44,059
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TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	6,294,236
Non-current assets:	
Land	37,293
Construction in progress	224,106
Capital assets	8,841,198
Less accumulated depreciation	(6,681,310)
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	2,421,287
TOTAL ASSETS	8,715,523
LIABILITIES: Current liabilities: Accounts payable Due to other governmental units Accrued liabilities Deferred revenue State anticipation note Current portion of long term debt obligations	199,020 176,790 804,148 29,089 1,555,200 144,805
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	2,909,052
Non-current liabilities:	
Non-current portion of employee benefit obligations	304,373
Non-current portion of long term debt obligations	2,061,022
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TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	2,365,395
TOTAL LIABILITIES	5,274,447
NET ASSETS:	
Invested in capital assets net of related debt	421,287
Restricted for: Capital Projects Other	1,325,998 353
Unrestricted	1,693,438
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$ 3,441,076

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

			Program Revenue					
Function / Programs		Expenses		Charges for Services		Operating Grants and Ontributions	Re C	t (Expense) evenue and changes in let Assets
Governmental Activities:								
Instruction	\$	7,004,336	\$	29,383	\$	2,162,052	\$	(4,812,901)
Supporting services		4,568,535		18,171		84,191		(4,466,173)
Community services		84,463		· -		-		(84,463)
Food service activities		575,113		169,391		409,592		3,870
Athletic activities		271,162		62,000		98		(209,064)
Other		16,852		_		_		(16,852)
Depreciation - unallocated		246,313				-		(246,313)
TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES		12,766,774		278,945		2,655,933		(9,831,896)
		neral revenues	s:					
		Property taxes	levied f	or general nu	irnose	e		1,601,006
	ç	State aid not res			•			8,196,407
		nterest and inve			poooo	•		99,295
		liscellaneous		ourgo				53,660
		TOTAL	GENER	RAL REVENU	JE AN	D TRANSFERS		9,950,368
				CHAN	GES II	N NET ASSETS		118,472
	Ne	t Assets , July 1	l					3,322,604
				NE	ET AS	SETS, JUNE 30	\$	3,441,076

Governmental Funds

Balance Sheet

June 30, 2008

	General Fund		QZAB Fund		Gov	on-Major ernmental Funds	Total
ASSETS:							
Cash and cash equivalents Investments Receivables:	\$	1,863,508 919,103	\$	- 1,113,355	\$	1,878 268,722	\$ 1,865,386 2,301,180
Accounts receivable Due from other funds		46,896 -		-		210 10,732	47,106 10,732
Due from other governmental units Inventories Other		2,002,505 27,014 44,059		- - -		6,986	2,002,505 34,000 44,059
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	4,903,085	\$	1,113,355	\$	288,528	\$ 6,304,968
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES:							
LIABILITIES:							
Accounts payable	\$	10,879	\$	56,079	\$	10,807	\$ 77,765
Accrued liabilities Accrued expenditures		3,468 803,900		-		-	3,468 803,900
Due to other funds		123,341				- 8,646	131,987
Due to other governmental units		1,731,990		_		-	1,731,990
Deferred revenue		29,089		_			 29,089
TOTAL LIABILITIES		2,702,667		56,079		19,453	 2,778,199
FUND BALANCES: Reserved for:							
School service activities		_		_		353	353
Capital projects		_		1,057,276		268,722	1,325,998
Unreserved:							
Undesignated		2,200,418		-			 2,200,418
TOTAL FUND BALANCES		2,200,418		1,057,276		269,075	 3,526,769
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$	4,903,085	\$	1,113,355	\$	288,528	\$ 6,304,968

Governmental Funds

Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Assets

June 30, 2008

Total Fund Balances for Governmental Funds		\$ 3,526,769
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.		
Cost of capital assets	9,102,597	
Accumulated depreciation	(6,681,310)	
		2,421,287
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and are		
not reported in the funds. Long-term liabilities at year-end consist of:		
Bonds payable - current	141,585	
Bonds payable - long term	2,061,022	
Employee benefits payable	304,373	
		(2,506,980)
NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES		\$ 3,441,076

Governmental Funds

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance

For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

		General Fund		QZAB Fund		on-Major vernmental Funds		Total
REVENUES:								
Local sources	\$	1,923,043	\$	_	\$	231,740	\$	2,154,783
State Aid	•	9,236,392	•	-	•	40,084	*	9,276,476
Federal sources		664,663		-		369,506		1,034,169
Other		419,818		-		=		419,818
TOTAL REVENUE	s	12,243,916		<u>-</u>		641,330		12,885,246
EXPENDITURES:								
Current:								
Instruction		7,111,716		_		_		7,111,716
Supporting services		4,568,535		-		-		4,568,535
Community services		84,463		-		-		84,463
Other		16,852		-		-		16,852
Food service activities		-		-		575,113		575,113
Athletic activities		-		-		271,162		271,162
Capital Outlay		748,761		193,963		30,143		972,867
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	s	12,530,327		193,963		876,418		13,600,708
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVE	R							
(UNDER) EXPENDITURE		(286,411)		(193,963)		(235,088)		(715,462)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):								
Proceeds from borrowing		748,761		1,251,239		-		2,000,000
Transfers in		30,091		- ,20 . ,200		385,036		415,127
Transfers out		(385,036)				(30,091)		(415,127)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USE	S)	393,816		1,251,239		354,945		2,000,000
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	s	107,405		1,057,276		119,857		1,284,538
Fund Balance, July 1		2,093,013				149,218		2,242,231
FUND BALANCE, JUNE	30 <u>\$</u>	2,200,418	\$	1,057,276	\$	269,075	\$	3,526,769

Governmental Funds

Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance to the Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds		\$ 1,284,538
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:		
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation exceeded capital outlays in the current period.		
Depreciation expense	246,313	
Capital outlays net of retirements	(1,117,866)	871,553
Proceeds from debt issues are an other financing source in the funds, but a debt issue increases long-term liabilities in the statement of net assets.		(2,000,000)
Repayment of bond principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net assets.		_
Some expense reported in the Statement of Activities, such as compensated absences, do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.		
Change in sick and vacation leave	37,619	(37,619)
Change in Net Assets of Governmental Activities		\$ 118,472

Fiduciary Funds

Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets

June 30, 2008

		Private Purpose Trust Fund		Student Activities	
ASSETS:			_		_
Cash Investments Accounts receivable Due from other funds		\$	47,603 - 19,063	\$	15,655 - 123 102,192
	TOTAL ASSETS	\$	66,666	\$	117,970
LIABILITIES:					
Accounts payable Due to student groups			- -	\$	1,587 116,383
	TOTAL LIABILITIES		-	\$	117,970
NET ASSETS: Reserved for:					
Scholarships Unreserved			47,603		
Designated for scholarships			19,063		
	TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$	66,666		

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Fiduciary Funds

Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Assets

For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

		Private Purpos Trust Fund	
ADDITIONS: Interest		\$	3,596
	TOTAL ADDITIONS		3,596
DEDUCTIONS: Unrealized loss on investments Scholarships awarded			6,522 1,825
	TOTAL DEDUCTIONS		8,347
	CHANGE IN NET ASSETS		(4,751)
Net Assets, July 1			71,417
	NET ASSETS, JUNE 30	\$	66,666

Fiduciary Funds

Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets

June 30, 2008

SSETS:		Student Activities	
Cash and cash equivalents Investments Accounts receivable Due from other funds		\$	15,655 - 123 102,192
	TOTAL ASSETS	\$	117,970
LIABILITIES: Accounts payable Due to student groups		\$	1,587 116,383
	TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	117,970

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2008

NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

The financial statement of the Gwinn Area Community Schools (School District) have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applicable to government units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is responsible for establishing GAAP for state and local units of government through its pronouncements. Governments are also required to follow pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued through November 30, 1989, that does not conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. The more significant policies established in GAAP and used by the School District are discussed below.

Reporting Entity

The School District provides elementary and secondary education for the residents of Forsyth, Sands, West Branch and Skandia Townships, and secondary education for the residents of Wells Township. A seven-member Board of Education elected by the public has oversight responsibility over all operations of the School District.

In evaluating how to define the School District for financial reporting purposes, management has considered all potential component units. The decision not to include a potential component unit in the reporting entity was made by applying the criteria set forth in GAAP. The basic, but not the only, criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is the governing body's ability to exercise oversight responsibility. The most significant manifestation of this ability is financial interdependency. Other manifestations of the ability to exercise oversight responsibility include, but are not limited to, the selection of governing authority; the designation of management; the ability to significantly influence operations; and accountability for fiscal matters. A second criterion used in evaluating potential component units is the scope of public service. Application of this criterion involves considering whether the activity benefits the School District and/or its constituents, or whether the activity is generally available to its constituents. A third criterion used to evaluate potential component units for inclusion or exclusion from the reporting entity is the existence of special financing relationships, regardless of whether the School District is able to exercise oversight responsibilities.

Based upon the application of the criteria described above, the financial statements of the Gwinn Area Community Schools contain all the funds and account groups controlled by the School District's Board of Education as no other entity meets the criteria to be considered a component unit of the School District not is the School District a component unit of another entity.

Basic Financial Statements - Government-Wide Financial Statements

The School District's basic financial statements include both government-wide and fund financial statements. Both the government-wide and fund financial statements categorize primary activities as either governmental or business-type. The School District's instruction, support and community services are classified as governmental activities. The School District does not have any business-type activities. Fiduciary activities are not included in the government-wide financial statements.

In the government-wide Statement of Net Assets, the governmental activities column is presented on a consolidated basis, and is reported on full accrual, economic resource basis, which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations. The School District's net assets are reported as either investment in capital assets, net of related debt, restricted, or unrestricted.

The government-wide Statement of Activities reports both the gross and net cost of each of the School District's functions. General government revenues (property taxes, state aid, etc.) support the functions. The Statement of Activities reduces gross expenses (including depreciation) by related program revenues, operating and capital grants directly associated with the function.

The government-wide focus emphasizes the sustainability of the School District as an entity and the change in the School District's net assets resulting from the current year's activities.

Basic Financial Statements -- Fund Financial Statements:

The accounts of the School District are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues and expenditures. Government resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The various funds are grouped in the financial statements in this report into two major categories: governmental and proprietary categories. An emphasis is placed on major funds within the governmental and proprietary categories. The General Fund is always considered a major fund and the remaining funds of the School District are considered major if it meets the following criteria:

- Total assets, liabilities, revenues or expenditures/expenses of that individual governmental or enterprise fund are at least 10 percent of the corresponding total for all funds of that category or type; and
- b. Total assets, liabilities, revenues or expenditures/expenses of the individual governmental or enterprise fund are at least 5 percent of the corresponding total for all governmental and enterprise funds combined.

The School District reports the General Fund as its major governmental fund in accordance with the above criteria. The funds of the School District are described below:

Governmental Funds

General Fund – The General Fund is the main operating fund and accordingly, it is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

QZAB Fund – The QZAB Fund is used to account for financial resources of major capital expenditures, including equipment that are purchased through the use of funds received from the issuing of the QZAB Bonds.

Special Revenue Funds – The special revenue funds account for revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specific purposes (not including major capital projects). The special revenue funds for the Gwinn Area Community Schools are the Food Service, Athletics and Public Library Funds.

Capital Projects Fund – The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for financial resources of major capital expenditures, including equipment.

Fiduciary Funds

Agency Fund – The Agency Fund accounts for all assets held by the School District in a custodial capacity for various student organizations. Since the Agency Fund is custodial in nature, they do not involve the measurement of results of operations.

Non-expendable Trust Funds – Nonexpendable Trust Funds are those whose principal cannot be expended. The administration of the School District treats the Scholarship Fund as nonexpendable due to restrictions of outside contributors.

The emphasis in fund financial statements is on the major funds. Non-major funds by category are summarized into a single column for presentation. GASB Statement No. 34 sets forth minimum criteria (percentage of assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures/expenses of either fund category or the government combined) for the determination of major funds.

The School District's fiduciary funds are presented in the Fund Financial Statements by type. Since, by definition, these assets are being held for the benefit of a third party and cannot be used to address activities or obligations of the government, these funds are not incorporated into the government-wide financial statements.

The District will first apply restricted net assets for expenses incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net assets are available.

MEASUREMENT FOCUS AND BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

Measurement focus is a term used to describe "which" transactions are recorded within the various financial statements. Basis of accounting refers to "when" transactions are recorded regardless of the measurement focus applied.

Measurement Focus

On the district-wide Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities, governmental activities are presented using the economic resource measurement focus as defined in item (b) below. In the fund financial statements, the "current financial resources" measurement focus or the "economic resources" measurement focus is used as appropriate:

- a. All governmental funds utilize a "current financial resources" measurement focus. Only current financial assets and liabilities are generally included on their balance sheets. Their operating statements present sources and uses of available spendable financial resources during a given period. These funds use fund balance as their measure of available spendable resources at the end of the period.
- b. The proprietary funds utilize an "economic resources" measurement focus. The accounting objectives of this measurement focus are the determination of operating income, changes in net assets, financial position and cash flows. All assets and liabilities, whether current or noncurrent, associated with their activities are reported. Proprietary fund equity is classified as net assets.

Basis of Accounting

In the district-wide Statement of Net Assets and Statement of Activities, governmental activities are presented using the accrual basis of accounting. Also, the proprietary fund financial statements are presented using the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recorded when the liability is incurred or economic asset used. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets and liabilities resulting from exchange and exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange takes place.

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when "measurable and available." Measurable means knowing or being able to reasonably estimate the amount. Available means collectible within the current period or within sixty days after year-end. Expenditures, including capital outlay, are recorded when the related liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt and accrued compensated absences, which are reported when due.

Cash and Equivalents

The School District cash and cash equivalents as reported in the Statement of Net Assets are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, certificates of deposit and short-term investments with maturities of three months or less.

Investments

Investments are carried at market value.

Receivables

All receivables are reported at their gross value and, where appropriate, are reduced by the estimated portion that is expected to be uncollectible.

Due From and To Other Funds

Interfund receivables and payables arise from interfund transactions and are recorded by all funds affected in the period in which transactions are executed.

<u>Inventory</u>

The School District utilizes the consumption method of recording inventories of materials and food supplies. Under the consumption method, inventories are recorded as expenditures when they are used. The inventory is valued at the lower of cost (first-in, first-out) or market.

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include land, buildings, equipment, and vehicles, are reported in the applicable governmental activities column in the district-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial individual cost of more than \$5,000 and any assets susceptible to theft. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual historical cost is not available. Donated capital assets are valued at their estimated fair value on the date donated. Costs of normal repair and maintenance that do not add to the value or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. The School District does not have infrastructure-type assets.

Depreciation of all exhaustible capital assets is recorded as an allocated expense in the Statement of Activities, with accumulated depreciation reflected in the Statement of Net Assets. Depreciation is provided over the assets' estimated useful lives using the straight-line method of depreciation. The range of estimated useful lives by type of asset is as follows:

Buildings and additions 20-50 years
Buses and other vehicles 5-10 years
Furniture and other equipment 5-10 years

In the fund financial statements, capital assets used in governmental fund operations are accounted for as capital outlay expenditures of the governmental fund upon acquisition. Capital assets used in proprietary fund operations are accounted for the same as in the district-wide financial statements.

Long-Term Debt

In the district-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the Statement of Net Assets.

Long-term debt for governmental funds is not reported as liabilities in the fund financial statements. The debt proceeds are reported as other financing sources and payment of principal and interest are reported as expenditures. The accounting for proprietary funds is the same in the fund statements as it is in the district-wide statements.

Compensated Absences

The School District' policies regarding compensated absences permits employees to accumulate earned but unused vacation and sick leave. The liability for these compensated absences is recorded as long-term debt in the district-wide statements. In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report only the compensated absence liability payable from expendable available financial resources, while proprietary funds report the liability as it is incurred.

<u>Deferred Revenues</u>

In the district-wide statements, deferred revenue is recognized when cash, receivables or other assets are received prior to their being earned. In the governmental fund statements, deferred revenue is recognized when revenue is unearned or unavailable. The School District has reported deferred revenue of \$29,089 in the General Fund for grant funding that has been received but is unearned.

Equity Classification

District-Wide Statements

Equity is classified as net assets and displayed in three components:

- Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt Consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any notes or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.
- 2. Restricted Net Assets Consists of net assets with constraints placed on the use either by (1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors or laws or regulations of other governments; or (2) law through constitutional provisions of enabling legislation.
- 3. Unrestricted Net Assets All other net assets that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "invested in capital assets, net of related debt."

Fund Statements

Governmental fund equity is classified as fund balance. Fund balance is further classified as reserved and unreserved, with unreserved further split between designated and undesignated, if appropriate. Proprietary fund equity is classified the same as in the district-wide statements.

Revenues

District-Wide Statements

In the district-wide Statement of Activities, revenues are segregated by activity, and are classified as either a program revenue or a general revenue. Program revenues include charges to customers or applicants for goods or services, operating grants and contributions and capital grants and

contributions. General revenues include all revenues, which do not meet the criteria of program revenues and include revenues such as State funding and interest earnings.

Fund Statements

In the governmental fund statements, revenues are reported by source, such as federal sources, state sources and charges for services. Revenues consist of general purpose revenues and restricted revenues. General purpose revenues are available to fund any activity reported in that fund, while restricted revenues are available for a specific purpose or activity and the restrictions are typically required by law or a grantor agency. When both general purpose and restricted revenues are available for use, it is the School District's policy to use the restricted resources first.

Property Taxes

Property taxes are levied December 1, on behalf of the District by various taxing units and are payable without penalty by February 28. The District recognizes property tax revenue when levied to the extent they result in current receivables (collected within sixty days of the end of the fiscal year.) Property taxes that are not collected within sixty days of the end of the fiscal year are recognized as revenue when collected.

Expenses/Expenditures

District-Wide Statements

In the district-wide Statement of Activities, expenses are segregated by activity (governmental or business-type), and are classified by function.

Fund Statements

In the governmental fund financial statements, expenditures are classified by character such as current operations, debt service and capital outlay.

In the proprietary fund financial statements, expenses are classified by operating and nonoperating and are sub-classified by function such as personnel services and other services and charges.

Interfund Activity

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the district-wide statements. Exceptions to this rule are (1) activities between funds reported as governmental activities and funds reported as business-type activities; and (2) activities between funds that are reported in different functional categories in either the governmental or business-type activities column. Elimination of these activities would distort the direct cost and program revenues for the functions concerned.

In the fund financial statements, transfers represent flows of assets between funds without equivalent flows of assets in return or a requirement for repayment.

Interfund receivables and payables have been eliminated from the Statement of Net Assets.

Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The School District follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- a. The Superintendent submits to the Board of Education a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following July 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
- b. Public hearings are conducted to obtain taxpayer comments.

- c. Prior to July 1, the budget is approved by the Board of Education.
- d. Budgets for the General and Special Revenue Funds are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. Budgeted amounts are as originally adopted, or as amended by the Board of Education.
- e. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year end.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE B – DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS:

Cash Equivalents

As of June 30, 2008, the District's cash and cash equivalents and investments were reported in the basic financial statements in the following categories:

	Governmental	Fiduciary	Total Primary
	Activities	Funds	Government
Cash and equivalents	\$1,865,386	\$15,655	\$1,881,041
Investments	2,301,180	47,603	2,348,783
	\$4,166,566	\$63,258	\$4,229,824

Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned to it. State law does not require it but the District has a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. The carrying amounts of the School's deposit with financial institutions were \$1,881,041 and the bank balance was \$2,159,907. The bank balance is categorized as follows.

Amount insured by the FDIC	\$100,000
Amount uncollateralized and uninsured	2,059,907
	\$2,159,907

Investments

As of June 30, 2008, the District had the following investments.

	Maturities
Fair Value	Maturities Less
	Than 1 Year
\$2,301,180	\$2,301,180
47,603	47,603
\$2,348,783	\$2,348,783
	\$2,301,180 47,603

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of the District's investments. The District has a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

NOTE B - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued):

Credit Risk

Michigan statutes authorize the District to invest in bonds, other direct obligations and repurchase agreements of the United States, certificates of deposits, savings accounts, deposit accounts or receipts of a bank which is a member of the FDIC and authorized to operate in this state, commercial paper rated at the time of purchase within the two highest classifications established by not less than two standard rating services and matures within 270 days from date of purchase, bankers' acceptances of the United States banks, obligations of the State of Michigan and its political subdivisions, external investment pools, and certain mutual funds. Michigan law prohibits security in the form of collateral, surety bond, or another form for the deposit of public money.

The District has an investment policy that would further limit its investment choices. Ratings are not required for the District's investment in Treasury Notes. The District's investments are in accordance with statutory authority.

Concentration of Credit Risk

The District places no limit on the amount the District may invest in any one issuer.

NOTE C - DUE FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTAL UNITS:

Amounts due from other governments totaled \$2,002,505. Of that balance \$1,704,766 is due from the State of Michigan for State Aid.

NOTE D – ACCRUED LIABILITIES:

A summary of accrued liabilities at June 30, 2008 is as follows:

	Governmental
	Activities
Accrued wages	\$601,123
MESSA payable	203,025
Accrued fringes	3,468
-	\$804,148

NOTE E - SHORT-TERM OBLIGATIONS:

The District utilizes short-term borrowing secured with pledged state aid for cash flow purposed due to the timing of state aid payments. A summary of the changes in short-term debt for the year ended June 30, 2008 is as follows:

	Balance June 30, 2007	Additions	Deductions	Balance June 30, 2008
Short-term debt: State anticipation note, 2006-2007 State anticipation note, 2007-2008	\$88,886	\$- 1,555,200	\$88,886	\$- 1,555,2 00
TOTAL	\$88,886	\$1,555,200	\$88,886	\$1,555,200

NOTE F – LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS:

A summary of long-term obligations at June 30, 2008, and transactions related thereto for the year then ended is as follows:

	Balance			Balance	Due Within
	July 1, 2007	Additions	Reductions	June 30, 2008	One Year
School Improvement Bonds –					
Series 1998	\$202,607	\$ -	\$-	\$202,607	\$19,096
2007 Energy Conservation and					
Building Improvement and Site Bonds	<u> </u>	2,000,000		2,000,000	122,489
Subtotal	202,607	2,000,000	-	2,202,607	141,585
Employee Benefits	266,754	40,839	-	307,593	3,220
TOTAL LONG-TERM DEBT	\$469,361	\$2,040,839	\$-	\$2,510,200	\$144,805

The annual debt service requirements for the School District's debt (excluding compensated absences) for the years ending June 30, 2008 through June 30, 2023 are as follows:

BONDS PAYABLE

The School District participated in the School Improvement Bond, Series 1998, to obtain one-half of their portion of the statewide Durant Settlement. As part of the settlement, the School District will receive one-half of their total settlement \$686,265 over a ten-year period. The remaining one-half of the settlement was received in bond proceeds. The debt service requirements of the bonds will be allocated to the School District by the State of Michigan over a fifteen-year period beginning May 15, 1999, as part of their state aid payments. A schedule of the School District's repayment schedule is as follows:

School Improvement Bonds June 30, 2008

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	May	15	
School Year	Interest	Principal	Total
2008-2009	\$5,000	\$19,096	\$24,096
2009-2010	44,297	117,600	161,897
2010-2011	3,138	20,958	24,096
2011-2012	2,140	21,954	24,094
2012-2013	1,095	22,999	24,094
Totals	\$55,670	\$202,607	\$258,277

The Energy Conservation and Building Improvement and Site Bonds, Series 2007 (\$2,000,000) dated December 6, 2007 mature annually on December 6th, with interest at a rate of 1.20% per annum. The primary revenue source for making the debt service payment on these Building Improvement Bonds is property taxes, which are levied within the authorized constitutional and statutory tax limitations.

2007 Energy Conservation and Building Improvement and Site Bonds

	June 30, 200	JB	
	May	6	_
School Year	Interest	Principal	Total
2008-2009	24,000	122,489	146,489
2009-2010	22,530	123,959	146,489
2010-2011	21,043	125,447	146,490
2011-2012	19,537	126,952	146,489
2012-2013	18,014	128,476	146,490
2013-2018	66,570	665,875	732,445
2018-2023	25,647	706,802	732,449
Totals	\$197,341	\$2,000,000	\$2,197,341

NOTE F – LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS (Continued):

As of June 30, 2008 the aggregate maturities of long-term debt are as follows:

School Year	Interest	Principal	Total	
2008-2009	\$29,000	\$141,585	\$170,585	
2009-2010	66,827	241,559	308,386	
2010-2011	24,181	146,405	170,586	
2011-2012	21,677	148,906	170,583	
2012-2013	19,109	151,475	170,584	
2013-2018	66,570	665,875	732,445	
2018-2023	25,647	706,802	732,449	
	\$253,011	\$2,202,607	\$2,455,618	
	Employee	307,593		
		TOTALS	\$2,763,211	

NOTE G – EMPLOYEE BENEFITS – COMPENSATED ABSENCES:

The School District accrues the liability for earned sick leave based on the termination method. The liability is accrued as the benefits are earned. Teachers meeting the requirements for retirement are paid \$60 per day up to 120 days of unused accumulated sick leave. Other non-teaching employees are paid for sick leave based on their appropriate contract.

As of June 30, 2008 composition of the liability for employee benefits as reported in the statement of net assets is as follows:

Paid time off - Teamsters	\$105,873
Sick leave - Central office & teachers	170,602
Sick leave - Principals	10,700
Personal leave - Principals	775
Vacation – Central office	19,643
	\$307,593
The liability has been recognized as follows:	

Current portion	\$3,220
Long-term portion	304,373
	\$307,593

The current portion is recorded as a liability in the General Fund and is included with accrued liabilities.

NOTE H – CAPITAL ASSETS:

Capital assets activity of the School District's governmental activities was as follows:

	Balance 7/01/07	Additions/ Adjustments	Deductions	Balance 6/30/08
Governmental Activities:				
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	\$37,293	\$ -	\$ -	\$37,293
Construction in progress	-	224,106	-	224,106
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Site improvements	342,300	-	-	342,300
Buildings and improvements	5,844,238	748,761	-	6,592,999

NOTE H – CAPITAL ASSETS (Continued):

		Balance	Additions/		Balance
		7/01/07	Adjustments	Deductions	6/30/08
Equipment	_	\$628,186	\$40,886	\$-	\$669,072
Vehicles and buses	_	1,132,714	104,113		1,236,827
	Total Capital Assets	7,984,731	1,117,866	<u> </u>	9,102,597
Less accumulated depred	ciation:				
Site improvements .		(342,300)	-	-	(342,300)
Buildings and improvem	ents	(4,650,650)	(155,580)	-	(4,806,230)
Equipment		(502,118)	(35,409)	-	(537,527)
Vehicle and buses	_	(939,929)	(55,324)		(995,253)
Total Acc	cumulated Depreciation	(6,434,997)	(246,313)	-	(6,681,310)
(Governmental Activities				
	Capital Assets, Net _	\$1,549,734	\$871,553	\$-	\$2,421,287

Depreciation expense was charged to governmental activities as follows:

Governmental Activities:

Unallocated \$246,313
Total Governmental Activities Depreciation Expense \$246,313

NOTE I - RESERVED AND DESIGNATED FUND BALANCE:

The School District reserves fund equities for the following funds:

<u>School Lunch Fund</u> – The resources of the School Lunch Fund are to be used for the school lunch program. The fund equity is reserved for this purpose.

<u>Scholarship Income</u> – The School District reserves fund balance for the nonexpendable gifts received in the Scholarship Fund. Only the investment income from these gifts is to be used for scholarships.

Unexpended Investment Income on Scholarship Funds: Interest and dividends received on Scholarship Fund investments are to be used for scholarship awards to students. The accumulated balance of unexpended investment income is designated for scholarships.

NOTE J – STATE REVENUE:

The State of Michigan currently uses a foundation grant approach which provides for a specific annual amount of revenue per student based on a state wide formula. The foundation is funded from state and local sources. Revenue from state sources are primarily governed by the School Aid Act and the School Code of Michigan. The Michigan Department of Education administers the allocation of state funds to school districts based on information supplied by the districts. For the year ended June 30, 2008, the foundation allowance was based on the three-year average of the blended pupil membership counts taken in February and September.

The state portion of the foundation is provided primarily by a state education property tax millage of 6 mills and an allocated portion of state sales and other taxes. The local portion of the foundation is funded primarily by non-homestead property taxes which may be levied at a rate of up to 18 mills. The state revenue is recognized during the foundation period (currently the fiscal year) and is funded through 11 payments from October 2007 - August 2008.

The School District also receives revenue from the State to administer certain categorical education programs. State rules require that revenue earmarked for these programs be expended for its specific purpose. Categorical funds received which are not expended by the close of the fiscal year are recorded as deferred revenue.

NOTE K – INTERFUND RECEIVABLES, PAYABLES AND TRANSFERS:

The School District reports interfund balances between many of its funds. Some of the balances are considered immaterial and are aggregated into a single column or row. The total of all balances agrees with the sum of interfund balances presented in the statements of net assets/balance sheet for governmental funds. Interfund transactions resulting in interfund receivables and payables are as follows.

The amounts of interfund receivables and payables as of June 30, 2008 are as follows:

		DUE FROM OTHER FUNDS						
	1	Athletic Fund	Trust Fund	Agency Fund	Total Due To Other Funds			
DUE TO OTHER FUNDS	General Fund Lunch Fund	\$2,086 8,646	\$19,063 -	\$102,192 -	\$123,341 8,646			
	Total Due From Other Funds	\$10,732	\$19,063	\$102,192	\$131,987			

All internal balances resulted from the time lag between the dates that (1) interfund goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur, (2) transactions are recorded in the accounting system, and (3) payments between funds are made.

The amounts transferred to and from individual funds for the year ended June 30, 2008 are as follows:

			TRANSFER	RS OUT	
		General Fund	Athletic Fund	Lunch Fund	Total Transfers In
TRANSFERS IN	General Fund Lunch Fund Athletic Fund Capital Projects Fund	\$- 6,170 228,866 150,000	\$19,805 - - -	\$10,286 - - -	\$30,091 6,170 228,866 150,000
Ė	Total Transfers Out	\$385,036	\$19,805	\$10,286	415,127

Transfers are used to (1) move revenues from the fund that statute or budget requires to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them, (2) moves receipts restricted to Debt Service from the funds collecting the receipts to the Debt Service Fund as debt service payments become due, and (3) use unrestricted revenue collected in the General Fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations.

NOTE L – NON-MONETARY TRANSACTIONS:

The School District receives USDA donated food commodities for use in its food service program which are accounted for in the School Lunch Fund. The commodities are accounted for on the modified accrual basis and the related revenues and expenditures are recognized as commodities as utilized. The School District recognized \$36,513 during fiscal 2007-08 in revenues and expenditures for USDA commodities.

NOTE M – PROPERTY TAXES:

The taxable value of real and personal property located in the School District at December 31, 2007 totaled \$232,606,817 (\$118,114,008 designated as Homestead and \$114,492,809 designated as Non-Homestead). The total tax levy consists of 18.0000 mills for the General Fund.

NOTE N - EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEM - DEFINED BENEFIT PLAN:

Substantially all of the School District's employees are eligible to participate in the statewide Michigan Public School Employees' Retirement System (MPSERS), a multiple-employer, cost-sharing public employee retirement system. Effective January 1, 1987, Act 91 of the Public Acts of 1985 established a voluntary contribution to the Member Investment plan (MIP). Employees first hired before January 1, 1990, made a one-time irrevocable election to contribute to the tax deferred MIP. Employees first hired on or after January 1, 1990 will automatically be included in MIP.

Members in MIP may retire at any age after attaining thirty years of creditable service or at age sixty while still working with a minimum total of five years of creditable service and with credited service in each of the five school fiscal years immediately preceding the retirement allowance effective date. The retirement allowance is calculated using a formula of 1.5% of the average of the highest total earnings during a period of thirty-six consecutive calendar months (three years) multiplied by total years to the nearest tenth of a year of credited service.

Employees who did not elect the MIP option fall under the MPSERS Basic Plan and may retire after attaining age sixty with ten or more years of credited service; or with thirty or more years of credited service; or attaining age fifty-five while still working at least fifteen but fewer than thirty years of credited service in each of the five school fiscal years immediately preceding the retirement allowance effective date.

The retirement allowance is computed using a formula of 1.5% of the average of the highest total earnings during a period of sixty consecutive months (five years) multiplied by the total years to the nearest tenth of a year of credited service.

The MPSERS also provides death, disability, health, medical, dental, vision, and hearing insurance coverage. Benefits are established by state statute.

The District was required by state statute to contribute 17.74% of covered compensation to the Plan through September 30, 2007 and 16.72% of covered compensation for the remainder of the year. The total amount contributed to the Plan for the year ended June 30, 2008 was \$1,274,480 which consisted of \$1,070,747 from the School District and \$203,732 from employees electing the MIP option. These represent approximately 16.6% and 3.2% of total payroll, respectively. The School District's contributions to MPSERS for 2007 and 2006 were \$1,161,668 and \$1,297,303.

Payroll paid to employees covered by the System for the year ended June 30, 2008 was approximately \$6,316,086. The School District's total payroll was approximately \$6,446,751.

NOTE N - EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEM - DEFINED BENEFIT PLAN (Continued):

Post Employment Benefits – Under the MPSERS Act, all retirees participating in the MPSERS Pension Plan have the option of continuing health, dental and vision coverage. Retirees having these coverage's contribute an amount equivalent to the monthly cost of Part B Medicare and 10 percent of the monthly premium amount for the health, dental and vision coverage. Required contributions for post employment health care benefits are included as part of the District's total contribution to the MPSERS plan discussed above.

The District is not responsible for the payment of retirement benefits which is the responsibility of the State of Michigan. MPSERS' issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the system. More information may be obtained by writing MPSERS, at MPSERS, P.O. Box 30673, Lansing, Michigan, 48909-8103.

NOTE O – CONTINGENT LIABILITIES:

Grant Assistance

The School District has received significant assistance from federal and state agencies in the form of various grants. The disbursement of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreement and is subject to audit by the grantor agency. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the applicable fund of the School District.

Risk Management

The School District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees' and natural disasters. The School District, together with approximately 334 other school districts in the State, participate in the MASB-SEG Property/Casualty Pool, Inc., (Pool) a governmental group property and casualty self-insurance pool. The School District pays an annual premium to the Pool for its general insurance, workers' compensation, and errors and omissions coverage. Members' contributions to the Pool may assess members a supplemental assessment in the event of deficiencies.

The Pool limits the maximum net loss that may arise from large risks or risks in concentrated areas of exposure by re-insuring certain levels of risk with other insurers or re-insurers. The School District's comprehensive and fleet insurance coverage is limited to a maximum of \$6,000,000 per occurrence of all claims. The School District also maintains an additional \$1,000,000 per occurrence for excess liability coverage. The Pool is responsible for paying costs up to the insurance limits with any additional costs covered by the School District.

Management is unaware of any pending or threatened claims that are not covered by the Pool that would be material to the financial statements.

NOTE P – ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY:

The School District received approximately 80 percent of its revenue through state and federal sources to be used for providing elementary and secondary education for the residents of Gwinn. The District's Foundation Allowance is set by the state and includes the local contribution from Non-Homestead taxes. Increases in the local Non Homestead property tax revenues are offset by a corresponding decrease in state aid on a per pupil basis.

NOTE Q - CONSTRUCTION IN PROGRESS:

The proceeds from the sale of the Energy Conservation and Building Improvement and Site Bonds, Series 2007 are for the purposes of partially remodeling, equipping, and re-equipping the High School; acquiring and installing lighting at the High School football field; replacing the High School roof; and developing and improving athletic facilities and the site.

NOTE Q - CONSTRUCTION IN PROGRESS (Continued):

As of June 30, 2008 construction contracts totaling \$1,555,117 were entered into for the purposes stated in the preceding paragraph of which, \$942,724 has been completed.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

General Fund

Budgetary Comparison Schedule

			Actual	Variances Positive (Negative)			
	Budgeted Amounts		(GAAP	Original Budget	Final Budget		
	Original	Final	Basis)	to Final Budget	to Actual		
REVENUES:							
Local sources	\$ 1,868,334	\$ 1,916,075	\$ 1,923,043	\$ 47,741	\$ 6,968		
State sources	9,110,737	9,228,843	9,236,392	118,106	7,549		
Federal sources	586,352	668,522	664,663	82,170	(3,859)		
Other	503,490	419,655	419,818	(83,835)	163		
TOTAL REVENUES	12,068,913	12,233,095	12,243,916	164,182	10,821		
EXPENDITURES:							
Instruction:							
Basic Programs	5,246,296	5,187,600	5,176,857	58,696	10,743		
Added Needs	2,066,810	1,935,316	1,934,859	131,494	457		
Total Instruction	7,313,106	7,122,916	7,111,716	190,190	11,200		
Supporting Services:							
•	E04 E04	E06 600	E00 22E	14.882	474		
Pupil services Instructional staff	521,581 306,267	506,699	506,225 405,265	(99,917)	919		
		406,184		, , ,			
General administration School administration	398,860 872,298	349,425 861,124	336,644 854,603	49,435 11.174	12,781 6,521		
Fiscal services	343,378	264,942	263,503	78,436	1,439		
Operation and maintenance		•			6,163		
Transportation	1,374,136 794,330	1,182,235	1,176,072 793,896	191,901 (12,949)	13,383		
Central	173,080	807,279 239,088	231,895	(66,008)	7,193		
Other	440	625	432				
Total Supporting Services	4,784,370	4,617,601	4,568,535	(185) 166,769	<u>193</u> 49,066		
Total Supporting Services	4,704,570	4,017,001	4,500,555	100,709	49,000		
Community Services	77,217	86,766	84,463	(9,549)	2,303		
Other	10,966	16,855	16,852	(5,889)	3		
Capital Outlay		748,761	748,761	(748,761)			
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	12,185,659	12,592,899	12,530,327	(407,240)	62,572		
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER							
(UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(116,746)	(359,804)	(286,411)	(243,058)	73,393		
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):							
Proceeds from borrowing	_	748,761	748,761	748,761	-		
Transfers in	27,067	16,750	30,091	(10,317)	13,341		
Transfers out	(729,342)	(409,813)	(385,036)	319,529	24,777		
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(702,275)	355,698	393,816	1,057,973	38,118		
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(819,021)	(4,106)	107,405	814,915	111,511		
Fund Balance, July 1	2,093,013	2,093,013	2,093,013	<u> </u>			
FUND BALANCE, JUNE 30	\$ 1,273,991	\$ 2,088,907	\$ 2,200,418	\$ 814,915	\$ 111,511		

QZAB Fund

Budgetary Comparison Schedule

For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

Variances

			Actual	Positive (Negative)		
		d Amounts	(GAAP	Original Budget	Final Budget	
DEVENUE	Original	Final	Basis)	to Final Budget	to Actual	
REVENUES: Local sources State sources Federal sources Other	\$ - - - -					
TOTAL REVENUES				<u> </u>		
EXPENDITURES:						
Capital Outlay	1,251,239	150,000	193,963	1,101,239	(43,963)	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,251,239	150,000	193,963	1,101,239	(43,963)	
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(1,251,239)	(150,000)	(193,963)	1,101,239	(43,963)	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES): Proceeds from borrowing Transfers in Transfers out	1,251,239 - 	1,251,239 - -	1,251,239 - 	- - -	- - -	
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	1,251,239	1,251,239	1,251,239			
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	-	1,101,239	1,057,276	1,101,239	(43,963)	
Fund Balance, July 1						
FUND BALANCE, JUNE 30	\$ -	\$ 1,101,239	\$ 1,057,276	\$ 1,101,239	\$ (43,963)	

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Non-Major Governmental Funds

Combining Balance Sheet

June 30, 2008

	Special Revenue		Capital Projects	Total	
ASSETS:					
Cash and cash equivalents Investments Accounts receivable Due from other funds Inventory	\$ 1,878 - 210 10,732 6,986	\$	268,722 - - -	\$	1,878 268,722 210 10,732 6,986
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 19,806	\$	268,722	\$	288,528
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES:					
LIABILITIES:					
Accounts payable Due to other funds	\$ 10,807 8,646	\$	-	\$	10,807 8,646
TOTAL LIABILITIES	 19,453				19,453
FUND BALANCES: Reserved for:					
School service activities	353		-		353
Capital projects	 		268,722		268,722
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	 353		268,722		269,075
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 19,806	\$	268,722	\$	288,528

Non-Major Governmental Funds

Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance

		Special Revenue		Capital Projects	Total	
REVENUES:		<u> </u>		Tojecis		TUlai
School lunch activities	\$	169,639	\$	_	\$	169,639
Athletic activities	Ψ	62,101	Ψ	_	Ψ	62,101
State aid		40,084		_		40,084
Federal sources		369,506		_		369,506
TOTAL REVENUES		641,330				641,330
EXPENDITURES:						
School lunch activities		575,113		_		575,113
Athletic activities		271,162		_		271,162
Capital Outlay		<u> </u>		30,143		30,143
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		846,275		30,143		876,418
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES		(204,945)		(30,143)		(235,088)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):						
Transfers in		235,036		150,000		385,036
Transfers out		(30,091)		-		(30,091)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)		204,945		150,000		354,945
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		-		119,857		119,857
Fund Balance, July 1		353		148,865		149,218
FUND BALANCE, JUNE 30	\$	353	\$	268,722	\$	269,075

Non-Major Special Revenue Funds

Combining Balance Sheet

June 30, 2008

		School Lunch Fund		nch Athletic Fund		Total	
ASSETS:							
Cash and cash equivalents Investments		\$	1,878	\$	-	\$	1,878
Accounts receivable Due from other funds			135		75 10,732		210 10,732
Inventory			6,986		-		6,986
	TOTAL ASSETS	\$	8,999	\$	10,807	\$	19,806
LIABILITIES AND FUND BA	LANCES:						
LIABILITIES:						_	
Accounts payable Due to other funds		\$	- 8,646	\$	10,807	\$ 	10,807 8,646
	TOTAL LIABILITIES		8,646		10,807		19,453
FUND BALANCES:							
Reserved for school service	ce activities		353				353
TOTAL LIABILITIES AN	D FUND BALANCES	\$	8,999	\$	10,807	\$	19,806

Non-Major Special Revenue Funds

Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance

		School Lunch Fund		Athletic Fund		Total
REVENUES: Athletic activities School lunch activities State aid Federal sources		\$	- 169,639 40,084 369,506	\$	62,101 - - -	\$ 62,101 169,639 40,084 369,506
	TOTAL REVENUES		579,229		62,101	 641,330
EXPENDITURES: School lunch activities Athletic activities			575,113 <u>-</u>		- 271,162	 575,113 271,162
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES		575,113		271,162	846,275
	CESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES		4,116		(209,061)	(204,945)
OTHER FINANCING SO	URCES (USES):					
Transfers in Transfers out			6,170 (10,286)		228,866 (19,805)	 235,036 (30,091)
TOTAL OTHER FIR	NANCING SOURCES (USES)		(4,116)		209,061	 204,945
NET C	CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		-		-	-
Fund Balance, July 1			353			 353
	FUND BALANCE, JUNE 30	\$	353	\$	-	\$ 353

School Lunch Fund

Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual

	Final				Variance Favorable	
DEVENUEO:	E	Budget		Actual	(Unfavorable)	
REVENUES: School lunch activities	\$	166,404	\$	169,639	\$	3,235
State aid	Ф	40,848	Ф	40,084	Φ	3,233 (764)
Federal sources		354,048		369,506		15,458
TOTAL REVENUES		561,300		579,229		17,929
EXPENDITURES:						
School lunch activities:						
Salaries and fringe benefits		310,680		300,955		9,725
Purchased services		13,400		10,894		2,506
Supplies and materials and other expenses		262,461		263,264		(803)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		586,540		575,113		11,428
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES		(25,240)		4,116		29,357
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):						
Transfers in		24,887		6,170		(18,717)
Transfers out				(10,286)		(10,286)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):		24,887		(4,116)		(29,003)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		(353)		-		354
Fund Balance, July 1		353		353		
FUND BALANCE, JUNE 30	\$		\$	353	\$	354

Athletic Fund

Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual

	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUES:			
Athletic activities	\$ 58,000	\$ 62,101	\$ 4,101
TOTAL REVENUES	58,000	62,101	4,101
EXPENDITURES:			
Athletic activities:			
Salaries and fringe benefits	170,255	159,738	10,517
Purchased services	84,959	93,207	(8,248)
Supplies and materials	21,210	18,217	2,993
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	276,424	271,162	5,262
EXCESS REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(218,424)	(209,061)	9,363
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):			
Transfers in	235,174	228,866	(6,308)
Transfers out	(16,750)	(19,805)	(3,055)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	218,424	209,061	(9,363)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	-	-	-
Fund Balance, July 1			
FUND BALANCE, JUNE 30	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Capital Projects Fund

Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual

DEVENUE O		Final Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	
REVENUES: Miscellaneous		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
	TOTAL REVENUES				
EXPENDITURES: Capital Outlay		31,146	30,143	1,003	
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	31,146	30,143	1,003	
	EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(31,146)	(30,143)	1,003	
OTHER FINANCIN	G SOURCES (USES):				
Transfer in		150,000	150,000		
TOTAL OTHE	ER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	150,000	150,000		
N	NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	118,854	119,857	1,003	
Fund Balance, July	1	148,865	148,865		
	FUND BALANCE, JUNE 30	\$ 267,719	\$ 268,722	\$ 1,003	

COMPLIANCE SECTION

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REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Board of Education Gwinn Area Community Schools Gwinn, MI 49841

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Gwinn Area Community Schools, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, which collectively comprise the Gwinn Area Community Schools' basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated October 24, 2008. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Gwinn Area Community School's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Gwinn Area Community Schools' internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Gwinn Area Community Schools' internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Gwinn Area Community Schools' ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the Gwinn Area Community Schools' financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the Gwinn Area Community Schools' internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the Gwinn Area Community Schools' internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

Board of Education Gwinn Area Community Schools Gwinn, Michigan

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Gwinn Area Community Schools' financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Governmental Auditing Standards*.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, Board of Education, others within the entity, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Anderson, Tackman & Company, PLC Certified Public Accountants

October 24, 2008

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REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133

Board of Education Gwinn Area Community Schools Gwinn, Michigan 49841

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of Gwinn Area Community Schools with the types of compliance requirements described in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2008. The Gwinn Area Community Schools' major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to each of its major federal programs is the responsibility of the Gwinn Area Community Schools' management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Gwinn Area Community Schools' compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about Gwinn Area Community Schools' compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of Gwinn Area Community Schools' compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, Gwinn Area Community Schools complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2008.

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of Gwinn Area Community Schools is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with requirements of laws, regulations, contracts and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered Gwinn Area Community Schools' internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Gwinn Area Community Schools' internal control over compliance.

Board of Education Gwinn Area Community Schools Gwinn, Michigan 49841

A control deficiency in an entity's internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to administer a federal program such that there is more than a remote likelihood that noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in the internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, Board of Education, others within the entity, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Anderson, Tackman & Company, PLC Certified Public Accountants

October 24, 2008

GWINN AREA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

				Accrued			Accrued
Federal Grantor	Federal	Approved	(Memo Only)	(Deferred)	Current	Current	(Deferred)
Pass Through Grantor	CFDA	Grant Award	Prior Year	Revenue	Year	Year Cash	Revenue
Program Title Grant Number	Number	<u>Amount</u>	Expenditure	July 1, 2007	Expenditures	Receipts	June 30, 2008
Direct Award							
U.S. Department of Education							
Title VII Indian Education	84.060	\$ 15,450	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15,443	\$ 15,443	\$ -
Passed through Mich. Department of Education:							
ECIA Title I:							
081503 0708	84.010	500,457	-	-	432,261	326,123	106,138
061530 0607	84.010	37,642	37,642	-	-	-	-
071530 0607	84.010	368,307	323,680	96,283	-	96,283	-
Sub	total	906,406	361,322	96,283	432,261	422,406	106,138
Service Provider Self-review							
070440 0607	84.027	4,500	1,616	(11)	-	(11)	-
ECIA Title VI Part B Subpart 2							
07660 0607	84.298	41,499	40,262	16,494	-	16,494	-
08660 0708	84.298	43,836	, -	, -	43,836	32,399	11,437
ECIA Title V:							
080250 0708	84.298	5,568	_	-	5,568	3,169	2,399
070250 0607	84.298	5,732	5,732	-	, -	· -	· -
Sub	total	96,635	45,994	16,494	49,404	52,062	13,836
ECIA Title IID:							
074290 0607	84.318	3,781	3,781	-	-	-	-
084290 0708	84.318	4,262	-	-	4,262	4,262	-
Sub	total	8,043	3,781		4,262	4,262	
ECIA Title IIA:							
060520 0607	84.367	40,757	40,757	-	-	-	-
070520 0607	84.367	99,524	46,862	32,410	-	32,410	-
080520 0708	84.367	153,552			120,124	82,343	37,781
Sub	total	293,833	87,619	32,410	120,124	114,753	37,781
TOTAL PASSED THROUGH	MDE	1,309,417	500,332	145,176	606,051	593,472	157,755

Federal Grantor Pass Through Grantor <u>Program Title Grant Number</u>	Federal Approved CFDA Grant Award Number Amount		(Memo Only) Prior Year Expenditure	(Deferred) Revenue July 1, 2007	Current Year <u>Expenditures</u>	Current Year Cash <u>Receipts</u>	(Deferred) Revenue June 30, 2008	
Passed Through Marquette-Alger Regional Educational Services Agency (M.A.R.E.S.A.):								
Health Schools MNN grant #11-0-624180	10.561	\$ 156	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 156	\$ -	\$ 156	
P.L. 94-192 Flow Through - #080450 0708 P.L. 94-192 Flow Through - #070450 0607	84.027 84.027	30,188 65,084	- 63,962	- 29,356	30,188	13,676 29,356	16,512 -	
Subtotal		95,272	63,962	29,356	30,188	43,032	16,512	
Perkins - 07-08 8012-02 Perkins - 06-07 7012-02	84.048 84.048	5,997 5,702	- 5,702	-	5,997 -	5,558 -	439 -	
Subtotal		11,699	5,702		5,997	5,558	439	
Safe & Drug Free Schools 072860 0607 Safe & Drug Free Schools 082860 0708	84.186 84.186	3,219 3,415	3,219	<u>-</u>	- 3,415	- -	- 3,415	
Subtotal		6,634	3,219		3,415		3,415	
Title II-D Ed Tech #074240/2-1	84.318	231	74	-	231	231	-	
State Improvement Grant #22-0-784180	84.323	298	-	-	298	298	-	
Title II-A Improve Teacher Quality	84.367	-	-	-	340	340	-	
LEA Medicaid FFS-Transportation	93.778	1,408	574	-	1,408	1,408	-	
Learn & Serve #11-0-594280	94.040	1,134 116,832	73,531	29,356	1,134	<u>557</u> 51,424	577	
TOTAL PASSED THROUGH M.A.R.E.S.A. TOTAL U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION		1,441,699	573,863	174,532	43,167 664,661	660,339	21,099 178,854	
U.S. Department of Agriculture: Passed through MDE:								
Food Distribution: Entitlement Commodities	10.550	34,293	22,732	_	34,293	34,293	<u>-</u>	
Bonus Commodities	10.550	2,219	809		2,219	2,219		
Subtotal		36,512	23,541		36,512	36,512		

Federal Grantor Pass Through Grantor Program Title Grant Number	Federal CFDA <u>Number</u>	Approved Grant Award <u>Amount</u>	(Memo Only) Prior Year Expenditure	(Deferred) Revenue July 1, 2007	Current Year Expenditures	Current Year Cash <u>Receipts</u>	(Deferred) Revenue June 30, 2008
Nutrition Cluster:							
Passed through MDE:							
National School Breakfast Program:							
Breakfast 1977 & 1978	10.553	80,621	74,233		80,621	80,621	
Subtotal		80,621	74,233		80,621	80,621	
National School Lunch Program:							
Section 4 -Total Serving 1957 & 1958	10.555	34,891	35,419	-	34,891	34,891	-
Section 11 - Free and Reduced 1967 & 1968	10.555	202,568	192,971	<u>-</u> _	202,568	202,568	<u>-</u> _
Subtotal		237,459	228,390	-	237,459	237,459	-
Total Nutrition Cluster		318,080	302,623	-	318,080	318,080	-
Summer Food Program	10.559	\$ 14,914	\$ 11,084	\$ 4,086	\$ 14,914	\$ 14,158	\$ 4,842
TOTAL U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE		369,506	337,248	4,086	369,506	368,750	4,842
TOTAL FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE		\$ 1,811,205	\$ 911,111	\$ 178,618	\$ 1,034,167	\$ 1,029,089	\$ 183,696

NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

For the year ended June 30, 2008

NOTE A - OVERSIGHT AGENCY:

The U.S. Department of Education is the current year's oversight agency for the single audit as determined by the agency providing the largest share of the District's federal awards.

NOTE B - BASIS OF ACCOUNTING:

The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards has been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.

NOTE C - FINAL COST REPORT - FORM DS4044:

The final cost reports are not due until 60 days after the end of the grant period. The reports for the current year were not completed as of the date of our report. However, we reviewed the reports filed for the prior year grants and noted that they agreed with either the prior year audited figures or the prior year and current year audit figures combined.

NOTE D - SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL AWARDS:

The amounts reported as current payments on the R7120, Grant Section Auditors Report, reconcile with the Schedule of Federal Awards as follows:

Current Payments per R7120:	\$332,238
Plus: Payments not on R7120: Passed through M.A.R.E.S.A. Passed through Michigan Department of Education Title VII Food distribution commodities \$51,424 \$593,472 15,443 \$6,512	
	696,851
Less: Deferred revenue at the beginning of the year M.A.R.E.S.A. 29,356 Michigan Department of Education Department of Agriculture 4,086	(178,618)
Plus: Deferred revenue at the end of the year M.A.R.E.S.A. Michigan Department of Education Department of Agriculture 21,099 157,755 24,842	183,696
Rounding	-
Total Federal Awards Expenditures Reported In the Schedule of Federal Awards	\$1,034,167

NOTE E – SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL AWARDS (Continued):

A reconciliation of expenditures on the Schedule of Federal Awards to federal revenue recognized is as follows:

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Total Federal Revenue Sources reported in the financial statements	\$1,034,169
Reconciling Items:	
Other minor differences in program revenues	(2)
TOTAL FEDERAL AWARD EXPENDITURES REPORTED IN	
THE SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL AWARDS	\$1,034,167

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

For the Year June 30, 2008

A. SUMMARY OF AUDIT RESULTS

- 1. The auditors' report expresses an unqualified opinion on the general purpose financial statements of Gwinn Area Community Schools.
- 2. There were no significant deficiencies disclosed during the audit of the financial statements.
- 3. There were no instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements of Gwinn Area Community Schools disclosed during the audit.
- 4. No significant deficiencies relating to the audit of the major federal award programs is reported in this schedule.
- 5. The auditors' report on compliance for the major federal award programs for Gwinn Area Community Schools expresses an unqualified opinion.
- 6. No audit findings relative to the major federal award program for Gwinn Area Community Schools were disclosed during the audit.
- 7. The programs tested as major programs were:

Child Nutrition Cluster	CFDA #
School Breakfast Program National School Lunch Progra Summer Food Service Progra	
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- 8. The threshold for distinguishing Types A and B programs was \$300,000.
- 9. Gwinn Area Community Schools was determined to be a low-risk auditee.
- B. FINDINGS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUDIT

NONE

C. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS - MAJOR FEDERAL AWARDS PROGRAMS AUDIT NONE

GWINN AREA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

For the year June 30, 2008

There were no findings and questioned costs for major federal awards in the prior year.

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Gwinn Area Community Schools

Report to Management Letter For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

Board of Education Gwinn Area Community Schools Gwinn, Michigan 49841

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Gwinn Area Community Schools as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Gwinn Area Community Schools' internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Governmental unit's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the governmental unit's internal control.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or a combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. as defined above.

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of the management, Board of Education, and others within the organization and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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October 24, 2008